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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed October 25, 2002, said period of response being extended from January 25, 2003 to April 25, 2003.

Our check in the amount of \$465.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

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